

Our File No.: 99B140

Date: <u>February 23, 2004</u>

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Appln. No.** : 09/697,259

**Applicant**: Antulio Tarzona

**Filed** : October 26, 2000

Title : Magnetically-Operated Relief Valves (as amended)

**TC/A.U.** : 3753

**Examiner**: Krishnamurthy, Ramesh

**Docket No.** : 99B140

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Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450

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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- 1. [] Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- 2. [] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- 3. [] No additional fee is required.

## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, on February 23, 2004.

Attorney Name Marta E. Delsignore, Ph.D.	Registration No.	32,689	
Signature Marta E Welsigni	₽ Date of Signature	February 23, 2004	

The Fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- \* If the entry in Col 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.
- \*\* If the "Highest No. prev. paid for" in this space is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
- \*\*\* If the "Highest No. prev. paid for" in this space is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

4.(a) [] An Extensi	ion of Time to respond to the PTO communication dated _	is
hereby requested.	The required fee, indicated below, is enclosed herewith.	

Extension for response (check only one):

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[] An extension for has already been secured and the fee paid therefore of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$.

or

(b)[] In the event that an extension of time is required, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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- 5. [] Please charge our Deposit Account No. 06-0923 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.
- 6. [] A check in the amount of \$.00 is enclosed.
- 7. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees are required under 37 CFR 1.16 and/or 37 CFR 1.117 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0923. Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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**Enclosures**